

NEW SMELTER FOR IOLA

Natural Gas has Secured the Location here of Another Prosperity Breeder

LANYON ZINC CO. TO BUILD

The Plant will be Begun Early Next Year and will have 4 to 6 Blocks

Early in the year 1901 the Lanyon Zinc Company will begin work on a new zinc smelter which will contain from four to six blocks and will employ about 200 men. This statement is authoritative and comes from high officials of the company, with permission to announce.

There is little more to say, except to give three cheers. The Lanyon Zinc Company now operates three smelters in Allen county, all of them using natural gas. The output constitutes practically one-fourth of the spelter output of the United States and when the new smelter, the size of the one at La Harpe, is built, they will have the output of one-third the total of the country. They now employ about 700 men and pay out about \$70,000 a month in wages. With the new works in operation they will employ over 900 men and pay out about \$90,000 monthly in wages. And this money comes from afar, about two-thirds of it from Europe and the other third from England. It comes to Iola and Allen county and stays here. It makes the town and buys food and clothing and homes and joys for the people.

Recently a man, disgruntled because the people of Cherryvale gave help and encouraged other industries, gave out to the associated press the statement that natural gas was failing at Cherryvale and that even at Iola there is barely enough to supply the needs. The Lanyon Zinc Company own or hold gas leases on 40,000 acres of Allen county land. They have possibly a score of wells drilled to hold leases and they have used from several wells for several years. With the most delicate testing instruments, experts in charge, and a deep interest in securing facts, they are in a position to exactly determine what if any strain the consumption has made on the gas field. While the Cherryvale gentleman is telling the associated press from his point of observation fifty miles away that Iola gas is failing, the Lanyons announce that they will increase their smelting facilities one third. It is a clinching argument that the gas is all right and that there are years upon years of life for the field in which the cost of the expensive factory may be recovered. It means an endorsement of every investment in Iola and guarantees growth and prosperity for years to come.

The company has been planning great things for months. The board of directors were expected to meet in Iola this month, but the sudden illness of one of them stopped the trip and Mr. Rodgers has gone east to meet with them. The last question to be settled about the smelter, its location, will then be decided. It will be built near the other two in Iola, just east of town, at LaHarpe or between Iola and LaHarpe. The location is largely immaterial. Wherever it goes it will push everything in the field.

And this smelter is not all. It is all that is now "ripe," but many other things are brewing. With 40,000 acres of gas land and factories turning out one-third of the country's output of spelter, other plants are not improvable.

"That rolling mill proposition has not been given up, has it?" inquired a reporter. "Oh no," was the reply. "but those things require a large expenditure of money and matured plans for handling the market, in fact largely creating one in this country where rolled zinc is not used as it is in Europe."

The REGISTER confidently expects one of these days before 1901 is old to announce the definite location and beginning of work on such a plant. It will mean much and is worth waiting for—and in the meantime the addition of another smelter such as changed LaHarpe from a village of 150 to a little city of 1000 is good news to last a year.

Rathbones Elect Officers.

The annual meeting of the Rathbone Sisters to elect officers has been held and the following will hold office for the coming year: Most E. C., Minnie Atchison; E. S., Marie Savage; E. J., Minnie Newton; Manager, Bell Fronk; M. of R. and C., Jessie Evans; M. of P., Hattie Ritter; P. of T. Agnes Milne; G. of O. T. Emma Krannich; Representative Lottie Shaffer; Trustees, Mary Port, Maggie Chaffee and Mary E. Sauer.

For Sale or Trade.

H. Z. Minnich, Hanboidt, has a good Ken, tucky Jack for sale.

CHAFFEE'S WRATH

It Made the General Angry to See the Looting and Pillage

Berlin, Dec. 11.—The German foreign office authorizes the Associated Press to make the following statement regarding the Waldersee-Chaffee incident, based upon a cable dispatch just received from Field Marshal von Waldersee:

"General Chaffee wrote Field Marshal von Waldersee a letter in a rough tone. Field Marshal von Waldersee refused to receive it, returning the same to General Chaffee. The latter then wrote a second letter apologizing for his objectionable expressions, whereupon Field Marshal von Waldersee invited General Chaffee to breakfast and the incident was amicably closed."

The Vossische Zeitung remarks: "Whatever the cause, General Chaffee had in no case a right to use such rough language in a letter to the commander-in-chief."

The Berlin Tageblatt observes: "We must, of course, reserve a definite judgment until reliable German reports have been received. Whoever knows, however, of the generally acknowledged diplomatic tact of Count von Waldersee will not doubt that he would not have employed such a brusque procedure without the strongest kind of provocation."

Washington, December 12.—The War Department has received a report from General Chaffee of the incident that occurred in Pekin in connection with his representations to Field Marshal von Waldersee. It appears that General Chaffee did use some pretty vigorous language in protesting against the looting and looting of the foreign troops. What particularly hurt the feelings of Waldersee was a pointed reference by General Chaffee to the fact that this disgraceful and unmilitary practice of looting was being indulged in, not by the men who did the fighting and opened the way to Pekin, but by the late comers, who had borne none of the brunt of conflict and hardship. Waldersee himself did not reach Pekin until long after the expeditionary force had occupied the town.

It is recognized here officially that General Chaffee had provoked for his deliverance, but regret is felt that he used this tone in addressing the field marshal. It is significantly pointed out here that perhaps it was not incumbent upon General Chaffee to make any representations whatever on this subject to the field marshal, as there is no longer any official tie between them. When the United States Government changed the character of its military representation in Pekin from an expeditionary force to a mere legation guard, of course that guard no longer came under the control of the commander-in-chief at Pekin, but was simply a part of Minister Conger's official household.

KILLED IN A WRECK.

A Passenger Train Crashed into a Freight.

Olathe, Kansas, Dec. 12.—A north bound passenger train crashed into the rear end of a north bound freight train at Clare, three miles south of this town, on the Southern Kansas railroad, at 6 o'clock yesterday. A boy, Noble Thomas, of Emporia, 16 years old, who was sleeping in the caboose of the freight train, was burned to death and his father fatally injured. The wreck was caused by the carelessness of the conductor of the freight train, in failing to send a warning back when his train stalled going up a hill.

THE SANTA FE STRIKE.

The Operators are Still Out but the Trains are Moving.

By Scripps-McRae Press Association. Ft. Worth, Texas, (Dec. 13.)—There is nothing new in the Santa Fe strike situation. All trains are being moved in Oklahoma by telephone orders and the service is uninterrupted.

WANTS TRAINMEN TO HELP.

By Scripps-McRae Press Association. Topeka, Kansas, Dec. 13.—President Dolphin, of the order of Railway Telegraphers, came here today to confer with the trainmen regarding assistance for striking operators in Santa Fe.

FEAR UNITED STATES

South American Republics Will Unite Against American Influence.

New York, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Herald from San Juan, P. R., says:

It is reported here that the republics of South America are negotiating an alliance, having been prompted to do so by the fear that American influence will become paramount in the Western hemisphere. The movement is said to be an outgrowth of the Ibero-American congress recently held in Madrid. The executive council has decided that franchise matters hereafter will be considered in secret session. This decision has occasioned much adverse comment.

Ladies and children's bracelets for Christmas at Rosenberg's.

DAINTY XMAS GIFTS.

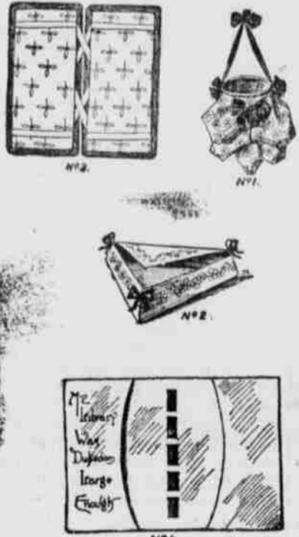
USEFUL HINTS FOR DEFT HANDS AND SLENDER PURSES.

Practical Directions For Constructing a Laundry Bag, a Handkerchief Box, a Necktie Case and a Serviceable Book Cover.

The Christmas season brings to notice many daily little presents which may be made so reasonably that many people are continuing the practice of making most of their gifts with their own hands and thus showing their regard for the recipient. There is also the necessity in many instances of an inexpensive outlay, but a dainty result is always desired.

A useful and ornamental bag to hold solled collars and cuffs requires one yard of some soft, pretty figured cloth (on the order of cheesecloth) about 30 inches wide, a yard of ribbon one and one-half inches wide, seven-eighths of a yard of the same three inches wide and a wooden embroidery hoop about eight inches in diameter. Cut the cloth in a square 30 by 30 inches and sew into a long bag with double seams. Then hem the upper opening of the bag over the hoop, not too tight, so that the cloth will slip easily, as the entire fullness is sewed over the hoop. Then take the narrow ribbon and sew on the outside of the hoop for suspension, as indicated in Fig. 1. When this is done, hang the bag up and drape by gathering the front in large plaits, taking a plait in the bottom of the bag and fastening the whole just below the front of the hoop. Tack on firmly a bow made of the wide ribbon, and then the collar bag is complete.

A pretty gift for a girl is a dainty device to hold handkerchiefs, laces, ribbons, etc. (Fig. 2). This requires half a yard of soft silk, one yard of



SOME CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Narrow ribbon, some layer cotton-sheet wadding—some sachet powder, water color paper and some cardboard. Mark out on the water color paper a 6 inch triangle, with sloping sides 1 1/2 inches wide and 5 inches across the top. Make a small hole on the outside at each upper corner of the sides for ribbons and then paint on the exterior of the box a little figure or conventional design. Cut out separate pieces of cardboard to match each side of the two triangles, making them just one-eighth of an inch smaller around each margin than the water color paper, as they are to be used for the lining of the box. Cover each piece with a thin layer of cotton and sprinkle sachet powder on it. Then cover each of these parts with silk, the triangles covered smoothly and the sides puffed. Next glue these silk covered parts to their respective places on the water color paper and tie the upper corners with narrow ribbon.

A useful present for a man is a case in which string neckties are to be kept. The materials needed are half a yard of red taffeta silk, half a yard of light colored figured silk, third of a yard of red ribbon three-quarters of an inch in width, two-thirds of a yard of red covered elastic and a small silver umbrella clasp. Take old shoe boxes—the cardboard need not be very stiff—and cut out two pieces 6 by 12 inches and two more 5 1/2 by 11 1/2 inches.

Cover one side of each piece with a very thin layer of cotton and sprinkle on sachet powder. Then cover the two larger pieces with red silk, being careful to allow at least three-quarters of an inch to lap on the opposite side. Treat the smaller pieces in the same manner with the light colored silk. About an inch from each end of the latter stretch across the narrow elastic and fasten firmly to the back. Now fasten on the hinges, which are made by cutting the ribbon into four equal pieces. Cross these and glue to the red covered cardboards. See Fig. 3. Now glue the light covered pieces over the red ones, so that when the sides are folded over the two red sides will be outside and the light colored ones inside. When the two sides are perfectly dry, fold over like a book and hold together with a little umbrella clasp which has been sewed to the wide ruffled elastic.

To make a book cover take a long strip of silk cloth or leather and make each end into a short pocket, after cutting them as shown in Fig. 4. Bind all around with ribbon, thread a broad ribbon through buttonholed slits in the back and embroider a few words on one of the pockets, such as "My Book," "My Friend," etc. Covers of this kind are most useful when a delicately bound book is going the round of a household and seems likely to lose its freshness.

SOME UNIQUE TRIFLES.

Gifts That Are Inexpensive and Easy to Make.

Painted covers for books, writing tablets, blotters and other articles are filling the exchanges of women's work with a glory of color these preholiday times. Rough linen paper is the favorite material and big loose petaled pink roses or tall purple lilies the most popular designs. Holly and mistletoe, while bright and decorative, do not appear among the painted articles as often as among the embroideries. In the comic subjects the ever popular brownie has ceded his place this year to grotesquely



LAUNDRY LIST.

garbed crickets, frogs, birds and other diminutive creatures of the fields and woods.

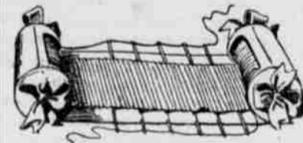
A comic calendar, consisting of a dozen cards decorated with water color drawings, illustrates 12 of La Fontaine's fables. The vain crow, the flattering fox and the coveted bit of cheese, the elephant and the goat, the lion and the mouse and other traditional personages whose respective stories afford opportunity for humorous treatment are depicted. The outside cover of the calendar is adorned with a vignette of Reynard himself, and each card bears a line or two of the moral which is inseparable from the real fable.

A school slate makes a novel laundry list. Glid the frame and attach a pencil with a silk cord.

A BACHELOR'S BLESSING.

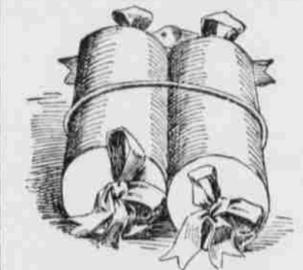
It Is Sure to Be a Boon to the Unmarried Man.

The display at the fancy goods counters of the "bachelor's blessing" solves to a great extent the fair young shopper's problems as to what she shall



BACHELOR'S BLESSING (OPEN).

give at Christmas to her brothers—and other girls' brothers. This handy little case of silk, canvas or leather, containing cottons, needles, needlebook, etc.,



BACHELOR'S BLESSING (SHUT).

is of particular value to the traveling man, who often must needs sew on the refractory buttons that will persist in coming off at inopportune moments.

Dainty Ways to Fix Gifts.

The clever maiden will do up her Christmas gifts in the daintiest way possible. There isn't a woman who does not dote on receiving an odd looking package—something that will appeal to her curiosity because of its individuality. And to make the holiday present perfect by reason of its dainty doing up requires but a little forethought and a few shekels.

The true Christmas colors are the hues of the holly, and they may be used admirably in making a dress for the Christmas gift. For instance, one may go to the man who makes boxes and buy a dark green box tied with a big scarlet bow of ribbon, or vice versa. Instead of this desirable color combination in the box and bow a plain white box may be utilized with a bow of ribbon which has the holly design woven in it. Still another idea is to use the white box and ribbon—suggestive of snow—and in the generous bow fasten a small spray of the green leaves with scarlet berries.

For Your City Friend.

It is a wonder that more country people do not appreciate how much they can do with what they have. There are few city people who would not appreciate the gift of a box or bag of chestnuts, walnuts, hickorynuts, butternuts, hazelnuts or beechnuts. Still fewer are there who would not delight in the arrival of a small rustic fernery filled with fine ferns, mosses and tiny evergreens and brightened by the scarlet berries of the Mitchellia. All these may be dug up in the woods a few weeks before Christmas. Usually, too, such dainties as a few jars of pickles or preserves or a few glasses of jelly may be spared from the country store closet and are a boon to the city house-keeper.

OLD AND NEW BAGS.

Some That Are Easily Made by Fair Fingers.

Bags, like beggars, are always with us, and the variety is great, considering the number to be found. The styles of other years are here, but only one really new thing have I seen—that is, a bag made of heavy silk as to top, with a third of the depth at the bottom of linen taffeta. Like the new picture frames, a taffeta is chosen whose design gives a wreath or festoon. This



QUAINT LITTLE WORKBAG.

In cut then to have the festoon or a half wreath for the lower part applied to the silk, which is of one color, though a dot or other pattern in it is an improvement. The bag is rounded at the lower corners to follow the shape of the festoon and is drawn up at the top with shirring strings, the ruffle being rather deep. With a bag where a blue ribbon comes into the pattern with roses and other gay flowers the bag may be old blue. When green and pink predominate in the design, an old rose silk is best, subdued shades being more effective than bright in the silk.

Flowered silk is used for this quaint little workbag. The circle of cardboard at the bottom of the bag is double, and pinked leaves of flannel for needles are inserted between the cards. A wide band of black velvet ribbon is feather-stitched around the centers of the bag.

The foundation of a pretty letter holder consists of a circle of stiff card-



LETTER HOLDER.

board covered with golden brown plush, upon which is embroidered a spray of wild roses. A pocket of satin is placed over the lower half of the circle, finished at the sides with bows. The pocket should be hung by loops at each side under the bows.

FOR AN OLD LADY.

Ideal Bedroom Slippers That Would Greatly Please Her.

The most acceptable gifts are those that have been made by the giver, for then one has the comfort of thinking that pleasant thoughts concerning the giver and receiver are interwoven with the stitches. The simplest homemade gift is usually preferable to a much more costly one that has been bought and has occasioned little or no thought.

Bedroom slippers for an invalid are made after this pattern: With German-town wool and two medium sized rubber needles cast on 95 stitches and knit across once. Knit back and forth, widening one stitch at the beginning of each row till you have increased to 125. At the tenth row set the seam at the fifty-third, or middle, stitch.

After this slip and bind on each side the seam, leaving one plain stitch each side this one till the number is reduced to 44. Then set the ankle by sewing two and knitting two plain. Knit 24 times across, bind off loosely, sew up the sides and bottom and crochet a shell edge around the top. One skein is required.

To make the work appear uniform on both sides of the seams in slipping and binding approaching the center knit within three of the seam and draw the second stitch through the one nearest the right hand. Going from the center, draw the corresponding stitch over the third one from the seam on the left hand. Knit with double zephyr worsted and, with a felt sole added, these make a warm and comfortable house shoe for grandmother as she sits by the fire.

An Opera Bag For a Girl.

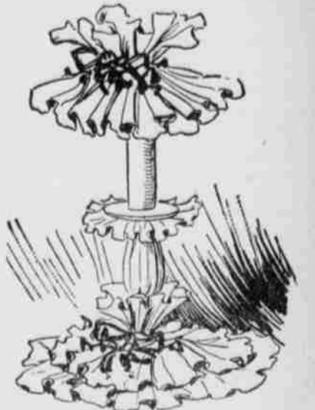
A gift that is always appreciated by the matinee girl is an opera bag. Such a receptacle for the glasses, a fan, handkerchief, purse and what not is easily made of some pretty shade of velvet or hatter's plush, lined with a delicate shade of silk and drawn with ribbons, while a ribbon loop is provided for suspending it from the arm.

FOR MY LADY'S DRESSER.

A Dainty Trinket That May Be Easily Made.

A fancy candle holder is a pretty and useful addition to a woman's dressing table. The materials required are a 5 cent tin candlestick, two small rolls of crepe paper, a small sheet of plain tissue paper and a yard or more of baby ribbon. Have the candle the shade of the paper used. Break off the little projection from the tin candlestick which stands out from the stalk of the holder and also break off the handle attached to the rim. Take a piece of crepe paper the length of the stalk plus three inches and three inches wide. Envelop the stalk with it, leaving the surplus paper to extend at the top. Tie it firmly around the stalk just underneath the dripper, then fold the paper up over the dripper and press the remaining paper into the candle pit. Paste a narrow ruffle underneath the dripper.

Next set the candlestick on a circle of crepe paper two inches wider than the base of the rim. Fold this up over and paste securely, then cut a ruffle about 4 inches wide by 16 inches long



AN ATTRACTIVE CANDLE HOLDER.

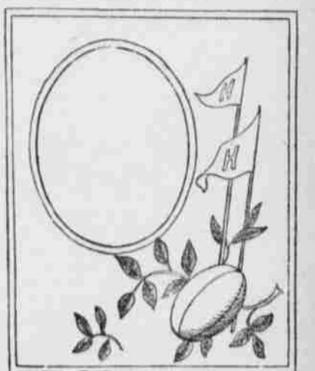
and glue it to the rim about one inch from the base of the stalk. Make another ruffle the same width, but not quite so long. Gather this with a heading of one inch, or more, if desired. Paste this around the base of the stalk, and when the glue is perfectly dry ruffle the edges of the paper by pulling out the crinkles.

The tiny shade is made from a piece of crepe paper 4 1/2 inches wide by 18 inches long. Gather with an inch heading and tie securely to the groove in the small brass frame. These frames are manufactured for just this purpose and cost a quarter. Ruffle the edges of the shade and tie on a bunch of small flowers with baby ribbon.

UTILIZING COLLEGE COLORS

Try This on the Man Who Is Hard to Please.

The difficulty of providing gifts of home manufacture for one's male relatives must remain a difficulty in most cases, says a writer in 'The Ladies' Home Journal. It is easier to make dainty things and to be sweetly thanked for them than to induce the man in question to subsequently use them. One gift that proved acceptable to a man otherwise remarkably difficult to please was a pocket letter case. An ordinary flat common leather one of the size and shape he liked was bought, taken to pieces, carefully covered and lined, a stamp pocket added and a design embroidered on the front cover, with his initials inside. In making gifts for brother at college effective



FOOTBALL FRAME.

and happy results can often be obtained by adapting their university colors for the purpose, and even trifles can thus be made of individual value and interest. Moreover, the colors are most very effective, the orange and black of Princeton, for instance, being sufficiently striking and the blue of Yale dainty enough for any taste, apart from their association.

Another pretty idea is to utilize the colors of your favorite college on a photograph frame.

To Make Tabourette Covers.

Dark table and tabourette covers, after the oriental styles and colorings, are now much in vogue. A square of dark garnet felt can be transformed into a beautiful table cover of any desired size. A fringe is made all around in slashes quarter of an inch wide and four inches deep. Above this make a brilliant border by placing brass rings (about quarter of an inch in diameter) along the lines, making them to touch and fastening them together with cross stitches of yellow spool embroidery silk. The effect is a marvelously attractive one and can be heightened by fastening a ring on the end of each slash, by looping it through the ring and fastening it on the other side. This ring work affords the woman with original ideas all sorts of opportunities, for the rings can be arranged in many gay and fanciful designs.